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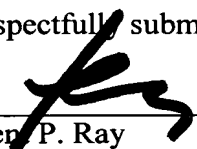
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Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(g)(2), please take notice that there has been a change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status in connection with the above-identified patent, and, therefore, small entity status is no longer appropriate or claimed for the patent.

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